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1. The headquarters of the so-called Dienst fuer Deutschland (DfD) in Eberswalde is in the former German Army district command headquarters in Rudolf-Breitscheidstrasse, corner of Grabowstrasse. The Eberswalde district court which formerly occupied the premises has been transferred to Frankfurt/Oder.

2. The main warehouse of the DfD is in a half empty paper factory at Spechtshausen, about four kilometers from Eberswalde on the Eberswalde-Bernau-Berlin highway. Spechtshausen has about 250 inhabitants, who all worked in the paper factory in peace time. The factory was dismantled in 1946; only a small handmade basket factory is presently in operation. Part of the factory is occupied by the DHZ-Textilwaren as a warehouse, and part has been used as the main DfD warehouse since the founding of this organization in the summer of 1952. The quarters are inadequate and the DfD authority wants to shut down the factory operation completely, partly to get more space and partly in order to maintain a better guard over it.

3. The warehouse is managed by Isaack (fmu), who has two elderly women and two men under him. In addition, five women and one man from the village have been engaged, after an exhaustive political check, as packers and foreman. The warehouse is guarded by 15 young men of the DfD, who live and sleep in a new barracks building and maintain a day and night patrol of the building. There is a high wall around the building, but it was considerably damaged during the war. The guard at present is armed with light air rifles, and is being instructed and trained by the Volkspolizei.

4. Deliveries to and from the warehouse are made by truck from Eberswalde and Berlin. The stocks consist of uniforms, shoes, laundry material, cooking equipment and utensils, various portable tools, accordions, bicycles and collapsible boats. The dismantled loading platform is to be rebuilt in order to simplify transport, according to villagers employed in the place, and it has been proposed that the Volkspolizei take over guard duties.

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